



Illinois Agricultural Prices

Released April 30, 2021

The March Prices Received Index 2011 Base (Agricultural Production), at 98.3, increased 2.6 percent from February and 6.4 percent from March 2020. At 99.3, the Crop Production Index is up 1.2 percent from last month and 14 percent from the previous year. The Livestock Production Index, at 97.4, increased 4.1 percent from February, and 0.2 percent from March last year. Producers received higher prices during March for hogs, market eggs, soybeans, and lettuce but lower prices for strawberries, oranges, cotton, and celery. In addition to prices, the volume change of commodities marketed also influences the indexes. In March, there was increased monthly movement for strawberries, cattle, milk, and calves and decreased marketing of cotton, apples, soybeans, and greenhouse & nursery.

Prices Received Indexes – United States: March 2021 with Comparisons

Index	2011 Base		
	Mar 2020	Feb 2021	Mar 2021
Agricultural Production	92.4	95.8	98.3
Crop Production	87.1	98.1	99.3
Grains and oilseed	66.1	88.2	90.4
Feed grain	61.6	80.0	82.0
Food grain	79.3	87.2	87.3
Oilseed	68.5	100.2	103.9
Livestock Production	97.2	93.6	97.4
Meat animal	92.8	95.3	99.8
Dairy	89.1	85.1	86.6
Poultry and egg	112.2	98.5	103.5

Prices Paid Indexes – United States: March 2021 with Comparisons

Index	2011 Base		
	Mar 2020	Feb 2021	Mar 2021
Prices paid	109.6	110.8	111.7
Production	105.8	107.1	108.1
Interest ¹	100.9	101.4	101.4
Taxes ²	118.7	120.4	120.4
Wage rates	136.6	134.7	134.7
Family living-CPI ³	114.8	116.9	117.8
Ratio (received/paid)	84	86	88

¹ Interest per acre on farm real estate debt and interest rate on farm non-real estate debt.

² Farm real estate taxes payable per acre.

³ Bureau of Labor Statistics, Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers (CPI-U), converted by the USDA.

Prices Received for Crops and Livestock – Illinois and United States: March 2021 with Comparisons

Commodity	Illinois		
	March 2020	February 2021	March 2021
Corn \$/bushel	3.65	4.69	4.96
Hay, all \$/ton	174.00	152.00	159.00
Alfalfa \$/ton	185.00	165.00	170.00
Other \$/ton	125.00	110.00	115.00
Soybeans \$/bushel	8.78	12.40	13.10
Wheat, all \$/bushel	6.19	6.18	(D)
Milk, all \$/cwt	18.30	16.60	17.00
Commodity	United States		
	March 2020	February 2021	March 2021
Corn \$/bushel	3.68	4.75	4.89
Hay, all \$/ton	156.00	163.00	166.00
Alfalfa \$/ton	172.00	175.00	181.00
Other \$/ton	134.00	143.00	142.00
Oats \$/bushel	2.79	3.11	3.07
Sorghum \$/cwt	5.86	11.10	11.00
Soybeans \$/bushel	8.47	12.70	13.20
Wheat, all \$/bushel	4.86	5.83	5.85
Milk, all \$/cwt	17.90	17.10	17.40
Calves \$/cwt	160.00	167.00	163.00
Cattle, all beef \$/cwt	113.00	112.00	113.00
Cows \$/cwt	67.50	65.60	67.10
Steers and heifers \$/cwt	114.00	115.00	116.00
Hogs, all \$/cwt	47.70	56.40	67.20

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

Access to NASS Reports

For your convenience, you may access NASS reports and products the following ways:

- All reports are available electronically, at no cost, on the NASS web site: <http://www.nass.usda.gov>
- Both national and state specific reports are available via a free e-mail subscription. To set-up this free subscription, visit <http://www.nass.usda.gov> and in the “Follow NASS” box under “Receive reports by Email,” click on “National” or “State” to select the reports you would like to receive.
- Follow us on Twitter @usda_nass

For more information on NASS surveys and reports, call the Heartland Regional Field Office at (314) 595-9594 or e-mail: nassrfohlr@usda.gov.